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DESIGN
PATENT APPLICATION
(37 CFR 1.63)**

- Declaration Submitted with Initial Filing OR Declaration Submitted after Initial Filing (surcharge (37 CFR 1.16 (e)) required)

Attorney Docket Number	5562-910/PMdC
First Named Inventor	Conrad et al.
COMPLETE IF KNOWN	
Application Number	09 / 239,860
Filing Date	January 29, 1999
Group Art Unit	1744
Examiner Name	T. Snider

As a below named Inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

Upright vacuum cleaner

the specification of which

(Title of the Invention)

 is attached hereto

OR

 was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) as United States Application Number or PCT InternationalApplication Number and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

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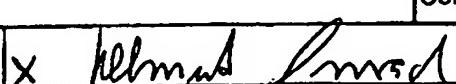
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STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)Applicant/Patent Owner: Fantom Technologies Inc.

Application No./Patent No.: 09/679,353 which is a division of 09/239,860 which is a continuation-in-part of 09/227,534

Filed/Issue Date: October 5, 2000

Entitled: UPRIGHT VACUUM CLEANERFantom Technologies Inc.a corporation

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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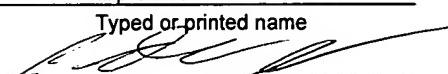
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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

April 20, 2004Date416-957-1695Telephone NumberPhilip C. Mendes da CostaTyped or printed nameSignatureAgent of RecordTitle

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